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In response to the Office Action mailed September 4, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please substitute the claims as follows. A marked-up version of the amended claims is attached hereto as Appendix A and a clean version of all pending claims is attached hereto as Appendix B.

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (Three Times Amended) A system for powering one or more devices in a fiber optic communication network, which transmits communication data between a telecommunications service provider and a remote user device, the system comprising:

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